

ORDINANCE CM-13-32

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 52 – WATER RULES AND REGULATIONS AND TO SPECIFICALLY AMEND THE DEFINITION ON SECTION 52.003, AND SECTION 52.116 (A) OF THE WEST MILTON MUNICIPAL CODE TITLED WATER RATES AND MUNICIPALITY.

WHEREAS, the City of Troy has increased the rates of providing water to its customers; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality's expenses for providing water service and maintaining the water distribution system is projected to exceed revenues provided by the current rate structure; and

WHEREAS, Council recognizes the importance of maintaining the fiscal stability of the Municipality's Water Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it Ordained by the Council of the Municipality of West Milton, Ohio, that:

SECTION I: Section 52.003, CHARGES is hereby amended to read as follows:

(3) Operations Charge: The amount to be paid each billing period by all users of the water system and facilities. The Operations Charge shall be computed as outlined in Section 52.116. The Operations Charge shall be defined as the cost of utility system management and planning including meter reading, distribution management, billing office expenses and general system administration.

SECTION II: Chapter 52.116 (A) subsections (1) (a) and (b) and subsection (2) of the West Milton Code of Ordinances are hereby amended to read in full as follows:

- (1) Effective with the February 2014 billing, the water rates shall be composed of two parts:
 - (a) An Operational Charge of \$10.50 for each billing period.
 - (b) A per 1,000 gallon usage charge of \$5.45.
- (2) The Operational Charge shall be levied, then the 1,000 gallon usage charge for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage shall be added to the Operations Charge. Thus the minimum rate charged for 1,000 gallons in a billing period shall be \$ 15.95.

SECTION III: Chapter 52.116 (A) subsection (1) (a) and (b) and subsection (2) of the West Milton Code of Ordinances are hereby amended to read in full as follows effective January 2015:

- (1) Effective with the January 2015 billing, the water rates shall be composed of two parts:
 - (a) An Operational Charge of \$13.45 for each billing period.
 - (b) A per 1,000 gallon usage charge of \$5.45.

- (2) The Operational Charge shall be levied, then the 1,000 gallon usage charge for each 1,000 gallons of metered water usage shall be added to the Operations Charge. Thus the minimum rate charged for 1,000 gallons in a billing period shall be \$ 18.90.

SECTION IV: The Council hereby commits to reviewing the per 1,000 gallon usage charge in October 2014 for the year 2015 billing periods, with the hope and intentions of lowering this rate.

SECTION V: This Ordinance shall be in effect from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

SECTION VI: All Ordinances and Resolutions or parts of Ordinances and Resolutions in conflict with the Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed this _____ day of _____ 2013

Michael Coate, II, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda L. Cantrell, CAP/OM
Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Charles H. Sell, II
Law Director